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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicant : Frank J. Hodges et al.
App. No : 10/829,631
Filed : April 22, 2004
For : TIRE WITH EXTENDED FLANGE SEAT
Examiner : A.C. Johnstone
Art Unit : 1733

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Mail Stop RCE

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being made as follows:

1. Submission Required under 37 CFR 1.114:

- (X) Amendment/Reply in 13 pages.
(X) Drawing in 1 page.

2. Fees:

- (X) An RCE fee of \$790 was previously paid on May 18, 2006, but the RCE filed at that time was not accepted because there had not been a final rejection. Applicants therefore request that the previous payment be applied to the present RCE request. If this is not possible, Applicants hereby provide authorization to deduct any required fees from the deposit account identified below.

3. Payment Authorization:

- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account Number 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: July 28, 2006

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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION OF JULY 20, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Please reconsider this application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings are described on page 4. A "Replacement Sheet" for the sheet of drawings being amended is attached as Appendix A.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 5.

Summary of Interviews begins on page 11.

Remarks begin on page 12.

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